

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 5 1. A system for resetting a computer, the system comprising:
a first computer;
a microcontroller capable of providing a reset signal to the first
computer;
a remote interface connected to the microcontroller; and
a second computer connected to the first computer via the remote
interface and communicating a reset command to the microcontroller.
- 10 2. The system of Claim 1, wherein the remote interface includes a power source
independent of a power source for the first computer.
- 15 3. The system defined in Claim 1, wherein the remote interface includes an
external port for connection to the second computer.
4. The system defined in Claim 1, wherein the second computer is at the same
location as the first computer.
- 20 5. The system defined in Claim 1, wherein the second computer is at a location
remote to the first computer.
- 25 6. The system defined in Claim 5, additionally comprising a pair of modems,
wherein a first modem connects to the first computer and a second modem connects
to the second computer.
7. The system defined in Claim 6, wherein each modem further connects to the
public switched telephone network.
- 30 8. The system defined in Claim 6, wherein each modem further connects to a
cable network.

9. The system defined in Claim 6, wherein each modem facilitates connection to a satellite.

5 10. The system defined in Claim 1, wherein the remote interface includes a remote interface microcontroller that connects via a bus to the microcontroller.

11. The system defined in Claim 1, wherein the remote interface is responsive to a command sent from the second computer to reset the first computer.

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